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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FRANKFORT, 40621-0001



DEPARTMENT FOR MEDICAID SERVICES
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Hospice Provider Letter #A-189

Dear Provider:

It has come to the attention of the Department for Medicaid Services that, in many cases, patient liability has not been consistently deducted from hospice reimbursements. A complete review of the circumstance has been completed and a course of reprocessing the claims has been initiated.

In the past, various hospice agencies have failed to submit the MAP-374 Election of Hospice form to both the local Department for Community Based Services office and to Medicaid, through our fiscal agent, Unisys, leading to many hospice recipients being miscoded. In order to begin to put into place the measures necessary to resolve this issue, each hospice agency is reminded that the MAP-374 Election of Hospice form must be submitted to both the local Department for Community Based Services Office and the Unisys Corporation. Failure to do so will result in your claim being denied.

Please contact the director of Long Term Care and Disability Services, Benjamin R. Sweger, at (502) 564-7540, if you have questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Marcia R. Morgan
Secretary

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